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In re Application of:)
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: Group Art Unit: 2121
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(Divisional of 08/902,160 :
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Filed: November 20, 2001)
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For: REMOTE MAINTENANCE SYSTEM) November 20, 2001

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, line 7 insert the following paragraph:

~~This is a divisional application of Application No. 08, 902,160, filed July 29,~~

a¹ 1997. ~~now patent No. 6,385,497.~~

Please substitute the paragraph starting at page 1, line 10 and ending at line 18
with the following replacement paragraph. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the
changes made thereto, is attached.

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